Evening Worship (180905) Theme: Not With Uncertainty Title: The Winning Formula Text: 1 Corinthians 9:24-27

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Message Outline:

A) The Winning Formula

"Therefore I run thus: not with uncertainty. Thus I fight: not as one who beats the air." (1 Cor 9:26)

- 1) A tested principle and truth
- 2) A universal Biblical principle and truth
- 3) Applicable to all of the faith

B) Why Is A Winning Formula Needed?

- 1) Because others have tried, lost and failed
- 2) Because the race and the fight is tough and brutal
- 3) Because it is the way to guaranteed success

C) The Right Perspective

- 1) Mindset of certainty
- "Therefore I run thus: not with uncertainty." (1 Cor 9:26)
- 2) Mindset of winning
- "Run in such a way that you may obtain it." (1 Cor 9:24)
- 3) Mindset of eternity
- "But we for an imperishable crown." (1 Cor 9:25)

D) The Right Application

1) Sacrifice

"Run in such a way that you may obtain it." (1 Cor 9:24)

- 2) Self-control
- "And everyone who competes for the prize is temperate in all things." (1 Cor 9:25)
- 3) Discipline
- "But I discipline my body and bring it into subjection..." (1 Cor 9:27)

E) The Results

- 1) Lived a life of no regrets
- "But I discipline my body and bring it into subjection, lest, when I have preached to others, I myself should become disqualified." (1 Cor 9:27)
- 2) Winning the prize of life
- "But we for an imperishable crown." (1 Cor 9:25)